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SUBJECT: RELEASE OF US SHRIMP VESSELS LITTLE JOE, MATHILDA III,
NORMAN GLENN, AND CAYENNE DEANNE T.

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1. THIS MORNING (OCT. 31) BRAZILIAN NAVAL AUTHORITIES INFORMED CONSUL THAT ORDERS HAD ARRIVED FROM BRASILIA INSTRUCTING NAVY IN BELEM TO RELEASE CAPTURED SHRIMP BOATS. CONSUL WAS PLEASED AND SURPRISED THAT BOATS WERE RELEASED AFTER LESS THAN ONE DAY IN BELEM. IN THE PAST SHRIMP BOATS HAVE USUALLY HAD TO WAIT FOUR OR FIVE DAYS IN BELEM BEFORE BRASILIA ORDERED THEIR RELEASE.

2. AGREEMENT ENFORCEMENT FEE OF US\$1200 PER BOAT (CR\$10,404 AT US\$1 TO CR\$8.67) FOR TOTAL OF US\$4800 (CR\$41,616) PAID BY PROSPESPA, BORDEN'S SUBSIDIARY IN BELEM. EACH BOAT CHARGED US\$500 PER DAY FOR TWO DAYS VESSELS WERE DETAINED AT SEA AND US\$200 FOR DAY VESSELS WERE DETAINED IN BELEM.

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3. VESSELS WILL DEPART FOR CAYENNE TONIGHT (OCT. 31) WITH THE MIDNIGHT TIDE. SHRIMP CARGO WAS NOT REPEAT NOT CONFISCATED. CARGO REMAINS ABOARD VESSELS.

4. VESSELS WERE CHARGED WITH SHRIMPING IN AN AREA WHERE SHRIMPING IS NOT PERMITTED UNDER THEIUS-BRAZIL SHRIMP AGREEMENT, AND WITH NOT HAVING PROPER DOCUMENTATION. AT THE TIME OF THEIR CAPTURE BOATS WERE SHRIMPING NINE MILES SOUTH OF AREA 81 KNOWN AS "STEEPLES" BOATS WERE NINE MILES FROM AREA WHERE SHRIMPING IS ALLOWED UNDER AGREEMENT FROM MARCH 1 TO JUNE 30. SOME OF THE VESSELS WERE WITHOUT ALL THEIR DOCUMENTS AND MANY OF THE DOCUMENTS THAT BOATS DID HAVE WERE NOT UP TO DATE.

5. CONSUL BELIEVES THAT LITTLE JOE AND MATHILDA III BELONG TO D AND S SEAFOODS OF TAMPA, FLORIDA. NORMAN AND GLENN IS REGISTERED IN GALVASTON, TEXAS, AND MAY BELONG TO AM CITY GENE WEBSTER, RESIDENT OF CAYENNE. CAYENNE DEANNE T. BELONGS TO PIDEG, BORDEN SUBSIDIARY IN CAYENNE.

6. NAVY WILL DELIVER WRITTEN NOTIFICATION AND REPORTS OF CAPTURE AND VIOLATIONS OF BOATS TO CONSUL ON MONDAY NOV. 3. THESE DOCUMENTS WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE UNTIL CORVETA THAT CAPTURED SHRIMP VESSELS ARRIVES IN BELEM THIS WEEKEND. WILL POUCH DOCUMENTS TO AM EMBASSY BRASILIA AS SOON AS THEY ARE RECEIVED.
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